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<p align="center">Division of Forensic Science</p> <p align="center">CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES PROCEDURES MANUAL</p>	<p>Amendment Designator: C</p>
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<p align="center">28 REPORTING GUIDELINES</p> <p>28.1 Controlled substances are to be reported simply with wording consistent with the Code of Virginia.</p> <p>28.1.1 The identity and schedule will be reported whenever clearly known.</p> <p>28.1.2 The “show form” option will be utilized for most types of evidence including powders and solid material.</p> <p>28.1.3 Items consisting of one tablet or capsule which was chemically identified will be reported as outlined in Section 28.4.</p> <p>28.2 When residue samples contain controlled substances or marijuana, the results section must reflect the term “residue.”</p> <p>28.2.1 Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marijuana residue • Heroin residue <p>28.3 Weights will be routinely reported for controlled substances and marijuana.</p> <p>28.3.1 The last decimal place, at least, will be truncated for routine reporting purposes.</p> <p>28.3.2 Total weights that have been approximated will be reported as “approximate total weight”.</p> <p>28.3.3 Gross weights for marijuana (less than ½ ounce) will include the statement “Total weight includes both plant material and innermost packaging.”</p> <p>28.4 The following are examples of report wording for typical drug items.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.50 Grams of solid material, which was found to contain Heroin (Schedule I). • Approximate total weight: 0.256 gram of powder, which was found to contain Cocaine (Schedule II). • Tablet, which was found to contain Oxycodone (Schedule II) and Acetaminophen. • The tablet was found to contain Oxycodone (Schedule II) and Acetaminophen. <p>28.5 For substances in Schedule III – VI involving misdemeanor prosecutions or non-controlled substances, tablets and capsules visually examined using only pharmaceutical identifiers will be reported following these two examples.</p> <p>28.5.1 “Visual examination determined that the physical characteristics are consistent with Valium, a Schedule IV pharmaceutical preparation containing Diazepam. There was no apparent tampering of the dosage units and no further tests are being conducted.”</p> <p>28.5.2 “Visual examination determined that the physical characteristics are consistent with a Schedule IV pharmaceutical preparation containing Diazepam. There was no apparent tampering of the dosage units and no further tests are being conducted.”</p> <p>28.6 For substances and preparations involving felony prosecutions, tablets and capsules which were representatively sampled will be reported following these two examples.</p> <p>28.6.1 “Visual examination determined that the physical characteristics are consistent with Valium, a pharmaceutical preparation containing Diazepam. There was no apparent tampering of the dosage units. One tablet was analyzed and found to contain Diazepam, Schedule IV.”</p>	

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<p>28.6.2 “Visual examination determined that the physical characteristics are consistent with a pharmaceutical preparation containing Diazepam. There was no apparent tampering of the dosage units. One tablet was analyzed and found to contain Diazepam, Schedule IV.”</p> <p>28.7 “No controlled substances found” or “No controlled substances identified” will be used to describe Items where no compounds were found that are controlled substances.</p> <p>28.8 “Not analyzed” will be used for Items not examined chemically or visually.</p> <p>28.9 “Insufficient for identification” will be used to describe Items with too little sample for a complete identification.</p> <p>28.10 In cases where items have been analyzed for possible tampering or substitution, the results will have an additional statement of either “Meets label specifications” or “Does not meet label specifications”.</p> <p>28.11 Quantitation results should be truncated to a whole integer following these two examples:</p> <p>28.11.1 Cocaine (Schedule II), 25.9 grams of solid material, 35% pure.</p> <p>28.11.2 Hashish oil (Schedule I), which contains 34% tetrahydrocannabinol by weight.</p> <p>28.12 Different reporting options consistent with applicable laws may be used at the discretion of the section supervisor.</p> <p align="right">♦ End</p>	